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District.	Total number of looms.	Approximate number of looms on lungies and kailies.
20 Madura	24,367	..
21 Ramnad	25,830	..
22 Tinnevelly	30,126	12,000*
23 Malabar	28,235	..
24 South Kanara	5,497	..
	495,943	80,000

* Mostly Melapalaiyam area.

K. T. M. AHMED IBRAHIM SAHIB BAHADUR :—" Is it not a fact that the Madras Government recommended applications for capital issues and spindles before the quota was allotted by the Government of India and on account of that procedure many people who applied subsequently have not been able to get any quota? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" I am not aware of it. I shall certainly enquire and inform the hon. Member about it."

K. T. M. AHMED IBRAHIM SAHIB BAHADUR :—" Is it a fact that other provinces to which quotas have been allotted have not been able to take them? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" I take the information given by the hon. Member."

K. T. M. AHMED IBRAHIM SAHIB BAHADUR :—" May I request the Hon. Minister to see that the unused quotas of other provinces are diverted to this Province by the Government of India in view of the great scope that exists in the Province? "

THE HON. SRI V. V.GIRI :—" The Government will be very glad to go into the matter."

Working conditions in industrial undertakings.

* 75 *Q.*—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that in regard to many essential points relating to the working conditions in industrial undertakings, powers are vested in Provincial Governments;

(*b*) whether the Government have examined all Acts of the Central Government with a view to apply the provisions for the enforcement of which the Provincial Governments are vested with powers; and

(*c*) whether there are still enactments of the Central Government in which the Provincial Government have not used the powers vested in them?

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" (*a*) & (*b*) Yes.

"(*c*) No."

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SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know whether the Employment of Children Act is in force in this Presidency? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" I think it is."

Industries started in the Province.

* 76 Q.—ABDUL LATIF FAROOKHI SAHIB BAHADUR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(a) the number and type of industries that have been started under the auspices of the Government since 1st January 1945; and

(b) how many of these industries are in the Andhra, Tamil Nad and Kerala areas, respectively, and how many of them have been started by Andhras, Tamilians and Malayalees, respectively?

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" (a) If by the term 'auspices' of Government is meant assistance of the type contemplated under the Madras State Aid to Industries Act the answer to this question is that during the period since 1st January 1945 Government have assisted only one industry, viz, the Radio and Electricals, Limited, Madras, by taking shares of the value of Rs. 2 lakhs. This factory has not commenced production. If on the other hand the term refers to industries started with the advice and assistance of Government it may be stated generally that no large scale industry could have been started during the period of control of such articles as iron and steel, cement, chemicals, etc., without the assistance of either the Provincial or the Central Government.

" (b) The list of factories as it stood on 1st January 1945 contains the following particulars :—

District.

Name of Factory.

Postal address.

Nature of work carried out.

Name of Manager.

Name of occupier.

" The list has not been compiled so as to give information regarding the number of industries started by Andhras, Tamilians and Malayalees, respectively. The list is supplied to the Council Library for the information of the hon. Member."

Gunnies for packing in Stationery Stores, Madras.

* 77 Q.—SRI P. R. K. SARMA : Will the Hon. the Minister Education be pleased to state—

(a) how many gunnies are used on the average in a year in the Government Stationery Stores for packing purposes;

(b) how the gunnies are obtained, whether they are purchased in the open market or secured through tenders;